## **HOUSE BILL 1013**

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33 and Title 71, relative to services for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-5-108, is amended by deleting the section and substituting:

- (a) As used in this section:
- (1) "Fiscal impact" means an increase, decrease, or other change in revenue, expenditures, or fiscal liability; and
- (2) "Licensee" means an entity licensed by the department of intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- (b) The department of intellectual and developmental disabilities shall assess in writing the fiscal impact on licensees of a change to a rule, regulation, policy, or guideline related to the staffing, physical plant, or operating procedures of the licensee for rendering services pursuant to a contract, grant, or agreement with the department, the bureau of TennCare, or a managed care organization that participates in the TennCare program.

(c)

(1) Except as provided in subdivision (c)(2), no less than thirty (30) days before the change in the rule, regulation, policy, or guideline is to take effect, the commissioner of intellectual and developmental disabilities shall transmit the estimate of fiscal impact to the finance, ways and means committees of the

house of representatives and the senate, and to the comptroller of the treasury for review.

- (2) If exigent circumstances, such as an unforeseen court order, require a change to be implemented sooner than the thirty-day period described in subdivision (c)(1), then the commissioner of intellectual and developmental disabilities shall:
  - (A) Provide a written statement describing the exigent circumstances that prevented the thirty-days' notice in accordance with subdivision (c)(1) to the finance, ways and means committees of the house of representatives and the senate, and to the comptroller of the treasury no later than five (5) days after implementing the change; and
  - (B) Transmit the estimate of fiscal impact required by this section to the finance, ways and means committees of the house of representatives and the senate, and to the comptroller of the treasury within sixty (60) days after implementing the change.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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